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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Hirobumi Nishida

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

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For: IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE
ESTIMATING BLACK CHARACTER
COLOR AND GROUND COLOR
ACCORDING TO CHARACTER-AREA
PIXELS CLASSIFIED INTO TWO
CLASSES

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

MS Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 based on the following prior foreign applications filed in the following foreign countries on the dates indicated:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Date</u>
Japan	2002-259618	September 5, 2002
Japan	2002-280789	September 26, 2002
Japan	2003-048834	February 26, 2003
Japan	2003-163565	June 9, 2003

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In support of this claim, a certified copy of each said original foreign application will be filed shortly.

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